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### **Senate Budget Plan Incorporates Investment in Wisconsin Rapids Airport**

*Senator Testin, Mayor Vruwink Applaud Airport Proposal*

**Madison, WI** – The budget process moved forward on Tuesday as Senate Republicans released their plans for transportation, taxes, and K-12 education. Included in the transportation plan is four million dollars for the expansion of Alexander Field Airport in Wisconsin Rapids. Senator Patrick Testin praised the inclusion.

“Economic development in Central Wisconsin is one of my key priorities,” said Senator Testin. “This funding will help improve our infrastructure here in Wisconsin Rapids, and will be helpful for businesses and individuals in the region.”

Regional elected officials have sought funding for the airport for quite some time, and inclusion in the Senate plan is a positive step toward expansion.

“I’ve enjoyed working with Senator Testin and Representative Krug on the proposal for Alexander Field,” said Mayor Vruwink – who also serves as Chairman of the Airport Commission. “We’ve worked well together in support of a project that has a lot of potential for Central Wisconsin. I’m confident that the legislature and Governor Walker understand the importance of this airport to our region.”

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